

Kenwood School Newsletter

Principally Speaking

September 6, 2023

Greetings to all families!

Thanks for being kind in our parking lot during drop off and pick up! A special thanks to our parents and guardians who continue to enter our parking lot safely during drop off and pick up times. We appreciate everyone taking the time they need to continually enter and exit our parking lot safely.

This is the time of year when we can smell smoke in the air. Last week, we were monitoring the AQI to ensure we were keeping our students safe. Kids are particularly susceptible to harmful smoke as their lungs are still developing. The Sonoma County Office of Education recommends that school districts consult [Fire.AirNow.gov](https://www.fire.airnow.gov) when trying to assess air quality. Note also that oftentimes air quality numbers are not real-time information or precise, and that poor air quality can be highly localized or subject to rapid change based on shifting weather patterns. Therefore, it is important that we make decisions using all tools at our disposal, including the self-monitoring of air and conditions at our school.

If you are a new family to our school or just looking to become more involved in your child's education, there are multiple ways you can help. Kenwood School Association, Kenwood Education Foundation, your child's teacher or even the school office are all great places to start. Feel free to contact me at nmyers@kenwoodschool.org, if you would like to discuss ways to get involved.

Caltrans Traffic Advisory

Caltrans is issuing a traffic advisory for the 30-day closure of State Route 12 near Agua Caliente for Bridge replacement. This bridge replacement for the Hooker Creek Bridge in the Sonoma Springs area will begin on September 5, 2023, and will include the closure of SR-12 between Madrone Road and Agua Caliente Road for up to 30 days. Through traffic will be detoured around the closed bridge via Madrone Road, Arnold Drive, and Agua Caliente Road. The Hooker Creek Bridge is a victim of the bridge scour, a process where fast-flowing water whirlpools around the bridge columns, eroding the creek bed that supports the bridge footings and columns. Over the years, the bridge's structural integrity can be strained to the point where replacing the bridge is the best solution.

Main Office: (707) 833-2500

Attendance Line: (707) 341-0102

Cougar Club: (707) 833-4383

Rainbow Garden Preschool: (707) 833-6551

Parent Reminder

Wednesday

Dismissal Time is

1:30 p.m.

For Grades 1-6

Attention Cougar Club Families!

The Cougar Club is nearly full. There are a very few days this September where we have a spot or two available. If you need to do a drop in, PLEASE call the office in the morning to confirm there is an opening. Please do not assume we have space. Get confirmation before you send your child.

Looking forward to October... October Contracts are due Tuesday, SEPTEMBER 19th. Daily drop in rates apply when contracts are not in by the due date. October contracts can be found at <https://kenwoodschool.org>, in the main office, and in Cougar Club.

KSA NEWS:

KSA needs your help! Are you available to help on September 29th for either the Jog-A-Thon or Fall Festival? KSA is looking for parent volunteers to make these events a success. Please click on the following links and sign up where you are able to volunteer. Questions? Contact Christine at ksadocs1994@gmail.com. Thank you!

Jog-A-Thon: [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B4EA4AD2BA3FF2-ksajog2#/
/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B4EA4AD2BA3FF2-ksajog2#/)

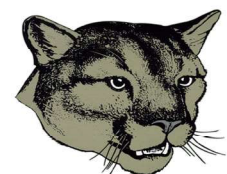
Fall Festival: [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B4EA4AD2BA3FF2-ksafall2#/
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"KSA would like to give a huge thanks to Beatrix Rupiper and her parents, Nick and Rebecca, for graciously donating the sunflowers that were given to the Kindergarten families on the first day of school! The flowers were grown on their farm in Sonoma, Seven Moons Farm.

Thank you so much for making the first day of school extra special for our Kinders with your beautiful flowers!"

Upcoming Events

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| 9/7/23 | KSA Spiritwear Sale Ends |
| 9/8/23 | KEF Ice Cream Social at Hamilton Family Winery 2:30-4:30 p.m. |
| 9/17/23 | Spaghetti Feed for Sixth Grade Outdoor Education Fundraiser at Kenwood Plaza Park , 3-6 p.m. |
| 9/22/23 | Coffee with the Principal, School Library, 8:30 a.m. |
| 9/29/23 | KSA Jog-a-Thon, 9-10 a.m. |
| 9/29/23 | KSA Fall Festival, 5:30-7:30 p.m. |





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ICE CREAM

Social!



Have you ever wondered exactly what KEF stands for & what KEF does?

Are you looking for ways to help improve your child's education and help our school?

Kids & parents please join us for a fun & delicious meet & greet to learn more about KEF and how to help. We are excited for an amazing year together!

•• *When* ••••

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
2:30PM UNTIL 4:30PM

•••• *Where* ••••

HAMILTON FAMILY TASTING ROOM
8860 SONOMA HWY, KENWOOD, CA



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SALE ENDS
SEP 7TH



PASTA FEED FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY, SEPT. 17 ~ 3-6pm

KENWOOD PLAZA PARK
200 Warm Springs Rd.

Be ready to bid on some delicious cakes and desserts to support the 6th Grade Outdoor Education trip.

Get your tickets ASAP from a 6th grader or Kenwood Elementary School's Front Office at 230 Randolph Ave. \$20 per person in advance (\$25 at the door if not sold out)

Contact Kristin Lamar with any questions or to sign up to volunteer or contribute a baked or silent auction item for this event!

KSA Jog-A-Thon

Friday, September 29th
8:45-10:00 am



Get donations:

<https://app.99pledges.com/fund/ksajogathon2023>

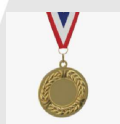
It's time for KSA's annual Jog-a-thon fundraiser.

All pledges (flat donations or per lap) must be made through the 99Pledges website listed above. If we have your email, you should have received an email with a link to your child's specific page.

Our goal is for each student to raise at least \$100, so be sure to share with your child's aunts, uncles, grandparents, neighbors and close friends. Those \$5 and \$20 donations will add up.



**Popsicle Treat
after lunch**



Medals

Awarded to top number of laps by a boy and a girl in each grade.

Drawing for prizes!

Earn a raffle ticket for every \$25 raised

3 Raffle winners will have a choice of one of the below prizes:



Kenwood School Association
Students • Teachers • Parents • Community



KID'S KINDLE



RAZOR SCOOTER



TREE-POD FORT



After School Enrichment

WONDERFUL WORLD of WHY

Why does the moon change shape?



Why do dogs make good pets?



Why do we see a rainbow?



Why do boats float?



In this interactive hands-on class, students are asked to ask BIG questions and think BIG thoughts! We'll explore the world of WHY and discover the answers by experimenting, creating, building, and more!

INSTRUCTOR: Cathy Hatcher

Cathy has taught enrichment for over 15 years in Sonoma County. She received both her B.A. and M.A. from Sonoma State University with an emphasis on Education and Psychology. She has created over 30 classes for students ages 5-14.

GRADES K-4 | THURSDAYS (SEPT. 21-OCT. 26)

START TIME FOR K-3 - 2:35PM (FEE \$110)

START TIME FOR GRADE 4 - 3:05PM (FEE \$90)

END TIME FOR ALL 4:15PM

TO ENROLL: CLICK ON THE QRCode (you will receive a confirmation email)

Questions: catharynhatcher@gmail.com



**QRCode for K-3
enrollment**



**QRCode for 4th
Grader enrollment**

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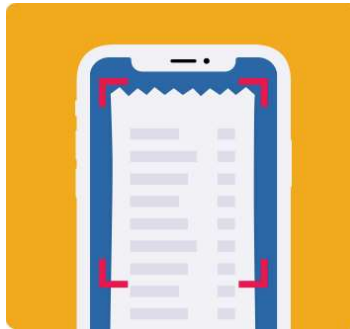


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Welcome Back Readers!



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survey!



[Link to survey](#)



2nd-6th grade students earn tokens towards apparel, sporting equipment, experiences, educational funds & more!

- Individual goals are set for each student based on the baseline assessment in the Accelerated Reader program
- Students read books at school and at home that are "just right" for them
- Quizzes are taken and tokens are earned - students work toward their individual goals!
- Rewards are earned at the end of each trimester based on goals
- Children have the option to redeem their tokens at the end of each trimester or save them up to earn a higher-level reward!

Bienvenido Atrás Lectores!



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¡Responde
nuestra encuesta!



[Enlace a la
encuesta](#)



Los estudiantes de 2.º a 6.º grado ganan fichas para indumentaria, equipos deportivos, experiencias, fondos educativos y mas!

- Se establecen metas individuales para cada estudiante seg(m la evaluaci6n inicial en el programa Accelerated Reader.
- Los estudiantes leen libros en la escuela y en casa que son "adecuados" para ellos
- Se toman cuestionarios y se ganan fichas: ilos estudiantes trabajan para alcanzar sus metas individuales!
- Las recompensas se obtienen al final de cada trimestre en funci6n de los objetivos.
- ¡Los ninõs tienen la opci6n de canjear sus tokens al final de cada trimestre o guardarlos para obtener una recompensa de mayor nivel!



ADULT MEAL: \$5/Lunch

SEPTEMBER 2023

KENWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

ALL STUDENT MEALS
ARE FREE FOR THE
'23-'24 SCHOOL YEAR

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday



4
NO SCHOOL
LABOR DAY

5
Deli Sandwich
& Pretzels

6
Fajita Chicken
Soft Taco

7
Hamburger or
Cheeseburger

8
Pizza Friday 
(Pepperoni pizza contains pork)
Sunbutter & Jelly Sandwich
w/ Sting Cheese (V)

11
Dino Nuggets
w/ Garlic Bread

12
Pasta Marinara
w/ or w/o Meatballs

13
Orange Chicken
w/ Rice

14
BBQ Turkey
w/ Mashed Potatoes
Berry Parfait (V)

15
Pizza Friday 
(Pepperoni pizza contains pork)
Protein Pack (V)

18
Breakfast for Lunch
Pancakes w/ Sausage
or Yogurt

19
Deli Sandwich
& Pretzels

20
Bean & Cheese
Burrito (V)

21
Hamburger or
Cheeseburger
w/ Carrot Raisin Salad

22
Pizza Friday 
(Pepperoni pizza contains pork)
Sunbutter & Jelly Sandwich
w/ Sting Cheese (V)

25
Homemade Bean
Tostada (V)

26
Spaghetti
w/ Veggies & Garlic
Bread

27
Bagel &
Yogurt (V)

28
Walking Taco
Salad

29
Pizza Friday 
(Pepperoni pizza contains pork)
Protein Pack (V)

OUR MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

WE OFFER A CHOICE OF 1% MILK OR FAT FREE CHOCOLATE MILK ALONG WITH A VARIETY OF FRUIT & VEGETABLES WITH EACH MEAL

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